

## AUSTRIA ASKS MORE TIME.

Finds Delay Necessary in Preparing Statement on Sinking of Ancona.

The Austro-Hungarian government has informed Ambassador Penfield, at

Vienna, that it desires more time to compile a formal statement regarding the sinking of the Italian steamship Ancona. Advice to the State Department that the Austrian government had encountered difficulties in obtaining a statement from the commander of the submarine.

## The Christmas Buying Has Already Begun.

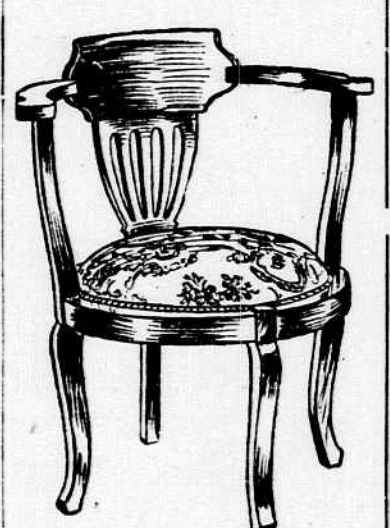
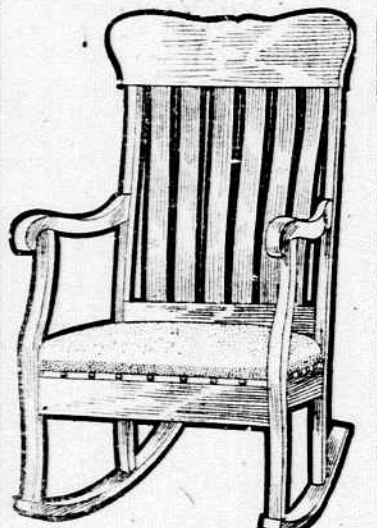
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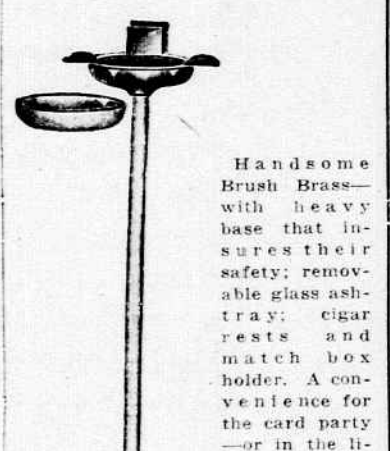
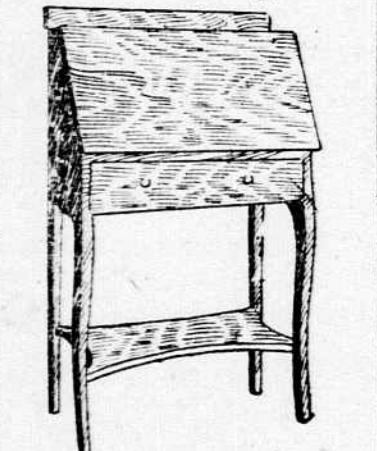
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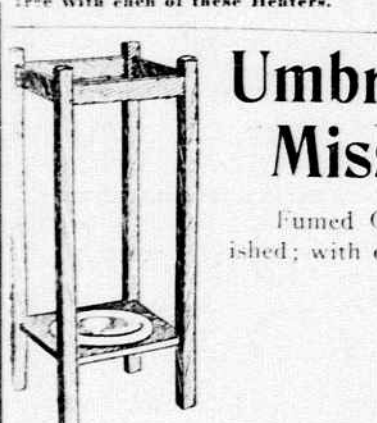
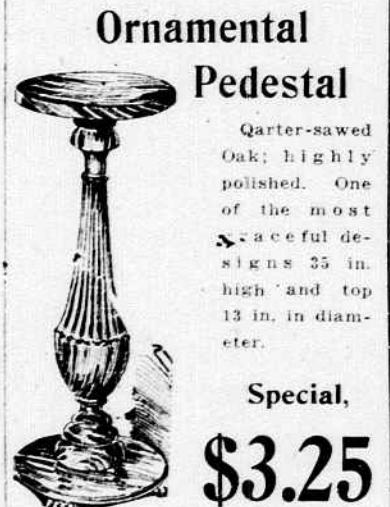
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DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS  
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Nearly \$50,000 Paid in Yesterday, in Response to Collector's Notice.

The District government is richer today by nearly \$50,000, this amount having been paid in at the tax collector's office yesterday on account of real estate tax bills that have been in arrears since last May.

A notice sent out recently by the assessor calling attention to unpaid bills and stating that the names of those in arrears would be placed on the delinquent book is believed to have created the impression that November 30 was the last day on which accounts could be settled. As a matter of fact, the delinquent book is not made up until January and will not go to the printer before February 1.

While yesterday's business has not been totaled, officials of the tax office stated that it was the biggest single day's collection since May and probably the largest of any November tax collection in the history of the local government.

According to Ben L. Prince, tax collector, the unpaid personal account shows a smaller balance than at any similar period in several years. It is believed that the better home tax collection year for the District.

## Pumping Stations Not Guarded.

The pumping stations for the irrigation plants, it is said, have not been guarded, as promised, and as all lands under cultivation must be irrigated, the Americans said they would be subjected to great losses if the pumps are not put in operation shortly.

The local Carranza commander, when asked to furnish an escort for mechanics to place the pumping station in order, refused, the refugees said.

Reports just received from the interior state that 300 Yaqui Indians raided the town of Sangu Grande, Sonora, November 13, and killed, among others, John Lehr, an American citizen.

## Douglas Again Menaced.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., December 1.—Uncertainty prevails in official quarters today over the probable movement of the advance guard of Gen. Jose Rodriguez, the Villa commander, who yesterday placed his army between the Carranza forces at Nacozari and the border, laying Agua Prieta, the Mexican fortified town opposite here, open to a second attack.

Carranza officials were reported to have received advice that Frontiers, twenty-two miles south of Agua Prieta, had been made the concentration point for the forces of Gen. Rodriguez, which are said to number from 2,000 to 3,000 men. In the meantime their leader is expected to determine whether to retire to Chihuahua or make an attack on the weakened Carranza garrison at Agua Prieta, where there are less than 300 soldiers.

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AMERICAN CRUISER  
OFF TOPOLOBAMPO

Admiral Winslow Is to Make Personal Investigation of Conditions.

AGUA PRIETA AGAIN IN  
DANGER OF AN ATTACK

Gen. Rodriguez, Said to Have Broken With Villa, Menaces Border Town.

TOPOLOBAMPO, Mexico, December 1, by radio to San Diego, Cal.—Admiral Cameron M. Winslow, on board the cruiser San Diego, with the expeditionary force of United States marines, arrived at this port yesterday. He announced today his intention of making a personal investigation of conditions at the American colony at Los Mochis.

On account of the unsettled conditions which have prevailed in the vicinity of Los Mochis and because American refugees said the promised protection had not been afforded by the Carranza forces, the Americans here have decided not to return to Los Mochis at present.

## Entire Gallery Wanted.

This year the White House has asked for the entire gallery and doorkeeper, Joseph Sinnott, doorkeeper of the House, will have to enlarge the executive gallery if the House, whether it be present or grant the request of suffragist propagandists in this regard.

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Villa, and had severed connections with the Villa movement. According to this report Gen. Rodriguez was making his way toward Chihuahua with money and loot he is alleged to have taken at Cananea prior to his evacuation of that town more than a week ago.

Other advisers reported that a portion of Gen. Rodriguez's forces had been detached and sent to attack El Tigre, the American-owned mining camp, thirty-five miles east of Esqueda. This report caused apprehension here concerning the probable fate of twenty-two Americans at El Tigre as well as nine Americans remaining at Nacozari.

It was reported in messages received from both these towns before Rodriguez's forces severed wire communications yesterday that Americans had expressed their intention of taking their places on the firing line with the Carranza forces.

HOUSE GALLERY SEATS  
ARE IN HEAVY DEMAND

White House Wants Entire Executive Gallery Day President Reads Message.

The White House has asked for 30 many tickets of admission to the galleries of the House of Representatives December 7, the day the President intends to read his message to Congress, that Joseph Sinnott, doorkeeper of the House, will have to enlarge the executive gallery if the House, whether it be present or grant the request of suffragist propagandists in this regard.

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## Demand Always Heavy.

There are but 550 seats in the galleries of the House, and one ticket is allotted to each senator and each representative and one to each justice of the Supreme Court. This leaves a few for the Speaker, leader of the minority, Vice President, etc. but if there were 5,000 tickets issued the entire lot would be grabbed in and there would still be people clamoring for admission.

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RULES OF HOUSE BAR  
TO SUFFRAGISTS' PLAN

Speaker Cannot Entertain Motion to Admit Them to the Floor.

Members of the House of Representatives familiar with the rules and practices of that body do not apprehend any embarrassment from the reported intention of one branch of the woman's suffragist organization to demand admission to the floor and permission to address the House.

For one thing, there is no possible way in which such consent can be granted. A long-standing rule, which, it was said today, is incorporated in the proposed code of rules for governing the House at this session, forbids the Speaker from entertaining a motion to suspend the rules and admit any one to the floor not entitled to admission.

## Adopted for Self-Protection.

This rule was adopted to relieve the House from the possible embarrassment of differentiating between persons who might seek occasion to use the floor for purposes of their own or whose friends sought it for them as a mark of distinction or compliment. So the House, whether it be present or grant the request of suffragist propagandists in this regard.

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"DRYS" ARE VICTORIOUS  
IN NORTH WASHINGTON

Resolution for Prohibition Is Adopted by the Association After a Prolonged Debate.

Opponents Criticize Action Because Only Twelve Are Present to Vote on It.

Strenuous efforts to defeat a resolution in favor of prohibition of the liquor traffic in the District were made by members of the North Washington Citizens' association at the meeting Monday night in the Gage School on the ground that the number present could not justify that they represented the sentiment of the locality. The resolution, however, was passed.

The resolution was introduced by H. P. Worley, who spoke in favor of it. John Baker took the lead in opposing the action on the ground that the number of men present Monday night could not express the sentiment of the locality covered by the association.

"If you amend that resolution," said Mr. Baker, "to say that it was passed at a meeting of twelve men of this section in this school, then I will vote for it. Those who will see the resolution should have an opportunity to know how much weight to give it, and it would be unjust to say that it represented the sentiment of the people of this locality, because it does not. It merely represents the sentiment of the few men who vote for it here tonight."

## Motion to Table Is Lost.

A motion to lay the resolution on the table until the next meeting of the association, and that a notice be sent out to all members notifying them that the matter would be discussed then, was made by M. W. Bayless.

Efforts were made to have such a motion declared out of order, but Rev. Marshall Mott pointed out that such a resolution took precedence over everything else in taking a viva voce vote on the tabling motion, the president could not decide, and a division was called for. In this count, five men voted to table the motion until the next meeting, but when the negative was called for the president was not sure of his count before the men stood down. The "drys" contested the count, and asked that the vote of the negative be counted.

Seven arose. Then those in favor of the tabling motion began to object because the side of the vote was not taken over, but the president declared that the motion was lost. When the majority came out for final passage, however, seven voted for it and three against it.

## Pay of School Janitors.

The association went on record in favor of an increase of pay for the janitors and custodians of the public schools. The committee on schools was instructed to look into the matter of getting a fire escape at the eastern end of the Gage School, the purchase of the lot adjoining the north of the school for a playground and the placing of a coping in front of the building.

## Broke Up a Quorum.

Just then Speaker Cannon came in and after on balance at the latter turned to Mr. Clemens and said: "The rule of the House is absolute against admission to the floor, and getting the thanks of Congress is a tedious process."

"Well, you are mighty quiet about it," gasped the famous humorist. "That's right," said the Speaker, "but I tell you what I'll do. I will give you my private room, floor, stairs and a box of cigars and you can send for members. At that, I've no doubt you will break a quorum in the House. And it is said he did, as the members flocked in all afternoon to see him."

## APPROVES DEFENSE PLAN.

## Senator Ransdell Believes It Essential for National Security.

Senator Ransdell of Louisiana today announced himself in favor of military preparedness. "I am heartily in favor of a reasonable increase in our army and especially in our navy," said Senator Ransdell. "It is essential to national security and the safeguarding of the national honor."

"But," continued the senator, "as a necessary auxiliary to the armed forces of the United States there must be adequate facilities for the speedy mobilization of men and munitions in event of war, and the best, cheapest and most permanent means that can be devised is to be found in properly improved inland waterways."

"I denounce as false the charges that river and harbor appropriations are wholesale steals and useless extravagances, and am convinced that they are not only wise expenditures but safe and sound investments, which will pay substantial dividends in cheapening transportation charges, thereby lowering the cost of many staple commodities to the ultimate consumer."

## MISS FLYNN ACQUITTED.

## Jury Clears Her of Charge of Inciting Riot in Paterson.

PATERSON, N. J., December 1.—Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, a labor leader, was found not guilty yesterday afternoon of a charge of "inciting to personal assault" in the silk mill strike in Paterson in February, 1913.

Miss Flynn was charged with having made speeches to strikers to induce them to riot. Taking the stand in her own behalf just before the case was given to the jury, Miss Flynn denied that she had used language attributed to her in the indictment.

She admitted she had been known as Mrs. Jones, but declared that in her speaking tours during the last five years she was known as Miss Flynn. She said she was induced to speak to the strikers by officials of the Industrial Workers of the World. She added that she is still connected with that organization.

## McCARREN JURY DISAGREES.

## No Verdict Reached at Second Trial of Watchman.

The second trial of Frank McCarren, a watchman at the bureau of engraving and printing on a charge of assaulting Michael E. Moran, a fellow watchman, at the printers, has resulted in a disagreement of the jury. The first jury deliberated four hours without reaching a verdict and the second jury considered the matter for two hours with a like result. The defendant claimed he hit McCarren with an iron bar in self-defense.

Attorneys George F. Havell and G. E. McNeil represented the defendant. Assistant United States Attorney Arva appeared for the government.

## MEAT PRICES DECREASE.

## Average Falls 7.3 Per Cent From October 15 to November 15.

The average price of meat animals—hogs, cattle, sheep and chickens—paid to producers decreased 7.3 per cent from October 15 to November 15, the Department of Agriculture today announced. In the last five years the price declined in like period 4.2 per cent. November 15 the index figure of prices for these meat animals was 115.1, or 1.1 per cent lower than a year ago, 7 per cent lower than two years ago, the same as three years ago, and 6.6 per cent higher than four years ago.

Hogs averaged \$6.35 per 100 pounds November 15. That is 9.1 per cent lower than a year ago; beef cattle, \$5.85, or 2.8 per cent lower; veal calves, \$7.69, or 1.1 per cent lower; sheep, \$5.18, or 10.7 per cent higher; lambs, \$6.16, or 10.1 per cent higher; and chickens, \$11.50 per 100 pounds, or 2.6 per cent higher.

## BORN.

GRAM, On Wednesday, December 1, 1915, to Harry B. and Virginia Lee Gram, 1223 Harvard street, a daughter.

## MARRIED.

BEALL, ROGERS, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Rogers, 8300 N. W. 22nd street, to FRANK BEALL, August 5, 1915.

## DIED.

CLARK, On Wednesday, December 1, 1915, at 6:30 a. m., at his residence, 25 1/2 St. street, southeast, MARY ALICE CLARK, widow of John H. Clark, 25 1/2 St. street, southeast, at 2 o'clock, Friday morning, December 2, at 7 o'clock, 22nd street, northwest.

DONALDSON, On Saturday, November 28, 1915, at 11:00 a. m., at his residence, 201 East Capitol street, on Thursday, December 2, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

FINCKEL, Suddenly, on Tuesday, November 30, 1915, at his residence, the Detroit, SOUTHERN, 1000 1/2 St. street, southeast, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

FORD, On Tuesday, November 30, 1915, at 10 o'clock p. m., ALICE J. Ford, widow of the late William Ford, 1428 Swan street, northwest, M. J. Roman, 1428 Swan street, northwest, Friday morning, December 2, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

GARVIN, On Sunday, November 28, 1915, JAMES GARVIN, aged seventy-three years, died at his residence, 1750 Pennsylvania avenue, northwest, December 2, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Arlington national cemetery.

HUNTER, On Wednesday, December 1, 1915, at 9:10 a. m., at his residence, 3250 New Hampshire street, northwest, ROBERT H. HUNTER, 3250 New Hampshire street, northwest, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

LESTER, On November 30, 1915, at 8 p. m., ORLANDO B. LESTER, 222 Indiana street, northwest, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

MAY, On Wednesday, December 1, 1915, at 11:45 a. m., at his residence, Mackay, Va., ELLIOT MAY, 1616 7th street, northwest, after a brief illness, Dr. THOMAS, beloved husband of Mrs. E. May, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

MILLER, On Tuesday, November 30, 1915, at his residence, 1616 7th street, northwest, after a brief illness, Dr. THOMAS, beloved husband of Mrs. E. May, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

RICKETTS, On Wednesday, December 1, 1915, at 2 o'clock a. m., at his residence, 428 1/2 street, southeast, JAMES RICKETTS, aged thirty-seven years, died at his residence, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

WILLIAMS, On Tuesday, November 30, 1915, at 5:40 p. m., at his residence, 2611 Dupont street, southeast, SAMUEL WILLIAMS, 2611 Dupont street, southeast, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

WINTERS, On Monday, November 29, 1915, at 11:45 p. m., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. F. Winkelman, 927 5th street, southeast, MRS. WINTERS, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

## In Memoriam.

COLMAN, In sad and loving remembrance of our dear father, MORRIS COLMAN, who passed away on Wednesday, December 1, 1915. BY HIS DEAR CHILDREN.

DE VAN, In loving remembrance of my dear mother, GEORGINA C. DE VAN, who died on Tuesday, December 1, 1915. Oh, could I open wide the grave, And see her face once more, And hear her voice once more, As in the days of yore.

Dear mother, you will never be forgotten. Never shall your memory fade. For my heart will ever be true, And the grave where you are laid. BY HER LOVING DAUGHTER, MRS. GRUBBS.

GRIFFIN, In sad and loving remembrance of my dear wife, MARION GRIFFIN, who departed this life one year ago today, December 1, 1914. I miss your kind and loving hand, Your fond and caring smile, My heart is sick without you, wife, My heart is sick without you, wife, BY HER DEVOTED HUSBAND, SAMUEL GRIFFIN.

GRIFFIN, In sad and loving remembrance of my dear sister, MARION GRIFFIN, who departed this life one year ago today, December 1, 1914. Oh, I cannot help from grieving, For my heart is sick and sore, But the angels did God's bidding, When they took my sister home, To live with sister and the angels in that beautiful heaven above. BY HER DEVOTED SISTER, MARTHA CAUSE-ESTIMO.

GRIFFIN, In sad and loving remembrance of my dear sister, MARION GRIFFIN, who departed this life one year ago today, December 1, 1914. The trial is hard, the pain is severe, For my heart is sick and sore, But in my heart she shall remain, Until we meet in heaven again. BY HER DEVOTED SISTER, MRS. ELIZABETH CAMERON.

JONES, In sad and loving remembrance of our dear mother, JOSEPHINE E. JONES, who departed this life two years ago today, December 1, 1913. Whenever we speak your name, Our eyes with tears are wet, Oh, mother, how we love you, And how we miss you so.

BY HER LOVING CHILDREN, ANNIE, HELEN, MABEL AND ETHEL.

LITZ, Sacred to the memory of HELEN L. LITZ, who departed this life one year ago today, December 1, 1914. O soul that was noble and earnest and kind; O life which the rays of God's sun shined; O mind ever pure as the white-lily flower; How sadly we miss you each day and each hour. BY HER MOTHER.

SKINNER, Sacred to the memory of my dear mother, ELIZABETH SKINNER, who died one year ago today, December 1, 1914, and JOHN SKINNER, November 1, 1914. BY THEIR DAUGHTER, RACHEL E. SKINNER.

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